

TESTS AND EXERCISES

I. Daily Tests

- A. National Warning System tests of SWP's occur twice a day, with initiation of the test alternating between the FOC and FAOC. The tests will be conducted between the hours of 0900 – 1100 hours and 1900 – 2100 hours, local time. National Weather Service (Western NWS stations) tests will occur at 1030 hours, local time.
- B. Immediately following the National test, a test of the Washington State portion of NAWAS will be conducted with the ring initiated from the Primary or Alternate State Warning Point, followed by a roll call of all local Primary Warning Point (PWP) NAWAS terminals. See Tab 6, Attachment 3. The roll call will be conducted in the following manner.

“This is the Washington (Alternate) Warning Point with a test of the emergency preparedness network. Repeat. This is the Washington (Alternate) Warning Point with a test of the emergency preparedness network. Stations standby for roll call.”

Each station will acknowledge when called by stating “(Station Name) Test” i.e. “King County Test”

Stations not responding on initial call will be recalled. Upon completion of roll call the SWP will end the test by saying:

“This is the end of the test. Washington (Alternate) Warning Point clear at (time) local.”

- C. Accurate logs of all tests including time, roll call and non-response stations is imperative. By telephone, contact all stations not answering roll call.

II. Biweekly NAWAS Test

- A. Day and Time of Test

Biweekly tests will be conducted by EM Duty Officer (Washington Warning Point) for all NAWAS local Primary and Duplicate Warning Point terminals every other Wednesday immediately after the first National roll call (daily test) occurring between 0900-1100 hours. See Tab 6, Attachments 3 and 4. After initiating the ring, the roll call will be conducted in the following manner.

"This is the Washington (Alternate) Warning Point biweekly test of the emergency preparedness network. Repeat. This is the Washington (Alternate) Warning Point biweekly test of the emergency preparedness network. All primary and duplicate warning points standby for roll call. Primary warning points will be called first. At the conclusion of the roll call, this test is to be relayed to all secondary warning points."

After recall of stations not responding the SWP will end the test by saying:

"This is the end of the test. Washington (Alternate) Warning Point clear at (time) local."

By telephone, contact all stations not responding to the roll call.

B. Local Warning Point Procedures

After completion of the state roll call, local Primary Warning Points, via prearranged means, are responsible for contacting secondary warning points and completing appropriate fanout. (See Tab 4)

III. Use of NAWAS for Exercises

As a rule, exercise or drill messages **will not be transmitted** over the NAWAS. Simulated exercise or drill NAWAS messages may be prepared and transmitted using other means of communications. Indicate on the message that the message is a "NAWAS Exercise or Drill Message".

NATIONAL WARNING SYSTEM REPORT

WARNING RECEIVED AT (Warning Point) TIME _____ DATE _____

TYPE OF WARNING _____

<u>SECONDARY WARNING POINTS</u>	<u>TIME CALLED</u>	<u>TIME ACKNOWLEDGED</u>
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